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EO 1652: GDS
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SUBJ: URANIUM IN THAILAND

REF: A. STATE 19349 B. 77 BANGKOK 18156

1. MR JOHN KINNARD OF CRUX INTERNATIONAL, DENVER, COLORADO, WHO DEPARTED FOR U.S. MAY 2 FOLLOWING SERIES OF CONVERSATIONS WITH DIRECTOR-GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES, AND MINISTER OF INDUSTRY, TOLD EMBOFF HE IS GREATLY ENCOURAGED BY MINISTER OF INDUSTRY'S ASSERTION DURING MAY 2 CALL THAT HE PLANS TO SEEK CABINET APPROVAL SOON TO PERMIT URANIUM EXPLORATION BY FOREIGN FIRMS IN NORTHEAST. ACCORDING MR. KINNARD, HE POINTED OUT TO MINISTER THAT DRAFT PROPOSAL, INCLUDING MAP WHICH MINISTER PROFERRED, WOULD RESERVE FOR RTG THE MOST PROMISING GEOLOGICAL STRUCTURES, INCLUDING THOSE EXPLORED INFORMALLY BY CRUX IN 1977 (REF B) WHILE OPENING UP "LARGELY UNKNOWN" AREAS FOR NEW EXPLORATION. MR KINNARD TOLD MINISTER THAT IF RTG SERIOUSLY WISHES TO PRIVATE FIRMS TO EXPLORE FOR URANIUM IN THE NORTHEAST, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO GRANT THEM ACCESS TO AT LEAST SOME OF THE ATTRACTIVE STRUCTURES. ACCORDING MR. KINNARD, MINISTER SAID ENTIRE MATTER STILL UNDER REVIEW
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AND THAT IT REMAINS POSSIBLE PRIVATE FIRMS WILL BE GRANTED BROADER ACCESS THAN CURRENTLY ENVISAGED.

2. WE WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR DEVELOPMENTS (BKK 1292).
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